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RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON COMPLIANT AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P. O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated August 25, 2008, the response for which is due on September 29, 2008.

This Amendment is made to the Office Action dated April 16, 2008, the response for which is due on July 16, 2008.

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